**OBSERVATION REPORT #96**

**Hewlett-Packard observed discrepancies in the EDI data files received for Bell Atlantic Pre-Order and Order Responses.**

## Issue 96.1

Hewlett-Packard observed discrepancies in the EDI data files received for Bell Atlantic v1.8 North Order Responses.

HP has received inbound order 865 responses from the Bell Atlantic North (Massachusetts) production environment that contain an invalid GS04 date for the ANSI X12 version of 003072. Received is a GS04 date of 8-digits. Per ANSI X12 standards for version 003072, the GS04 date must be 6-digits.

## Issue 96.2

Hewlett-Packard observed discrepancies in the received EDI data files for Bell Atlantic v4.3.1 Order Responses.

H-P has received inbound order 865 responses from the Bell Atlantic v4.3.1 CTE environment that contain invalid PO1/SI segments due to the SI06 data element being too long. Per ANSI X12 standards, the definition of the SI06 – data element number 1000 –has field characteristics of a minimum of 2 characters and a maximum of 2 characters. The data files received contain SI06 values with lengths of 6 and 3.

## Issue 96.3

Hewlett-Packard observed discrepancies in the received EDI data files for Bell Atlantic v4.3.1 Order Responses.

HP has received inbound order 865 responses from the Bell Atlantic v4.3.1 CTE environment that contain invalid POC segments. Per ANSI X12 standards for the POC segment, there is a syntax rule that stipulates if the POC03 data field is populated, then the POC04 and POC05 are required data elements. HP is receiving POC segments with populated POC03 and POC05 data fields and unpopulated POC04.

## Issue 96.4

Hewlett-Packard observed discrepancies in the received EDI data files for Bell Atlantic v4.1.2 Pre-Order Responses.

H-P has received inbound Pre-Order EDI 855 responses from
the Bell Atlantic
production environment that are enveloped as ANSI X12
version 004010. Per the
published Bell Atlantic Pre-Order v4.1.2 EDI Guide
specifications, the X12 version is
required to be 004020.

## Assessment

If the Bell Atlantic Pre-Order or  Order Response EDI files are not formatted within
compliant EDI Guide specifications, a CLEC cannot properly translate the EDI
transactions and subsequently process the order responses from Bell Atlantic.